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**INMATE CHARGED FOR MAILING HOAX ANTHRAX LETTER**

David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, announced today that a federal Grand Jury in Louisville **returned an Indictment** charging **FRED LUCKENBILL**, age 35, of Eddyville, Kentucky, with mailing a threatening communication.

The Indictment charges that on September 5, 2002, **Luckenbill**, an inmate at the Kentucky State Reformatory, Eddyville, Kentucky, mailed a letter to the Clerk of the United States District Court at the Gene Snyder U.S. Courthouse in Louisville. The envelope contained a white powdery substance and a letter with the words "Death to all state and government officials, death to the United States, Anthrax."

If convicted, the maximum potential penalties are five years imprisonment, a \$250,000 fine, and supervised release for a period of three years.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Michael A. Bennett, and it was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Joint Terrorism Task Force.

**Luckenbill** is scheduled to appear for arraignment before the United States Magistrate Judge on April 17, 2007, at 9:30 a.m., in Louisville, Kentucky.

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The indictment of a person by a Grand Jury is an accusation only and that person is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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